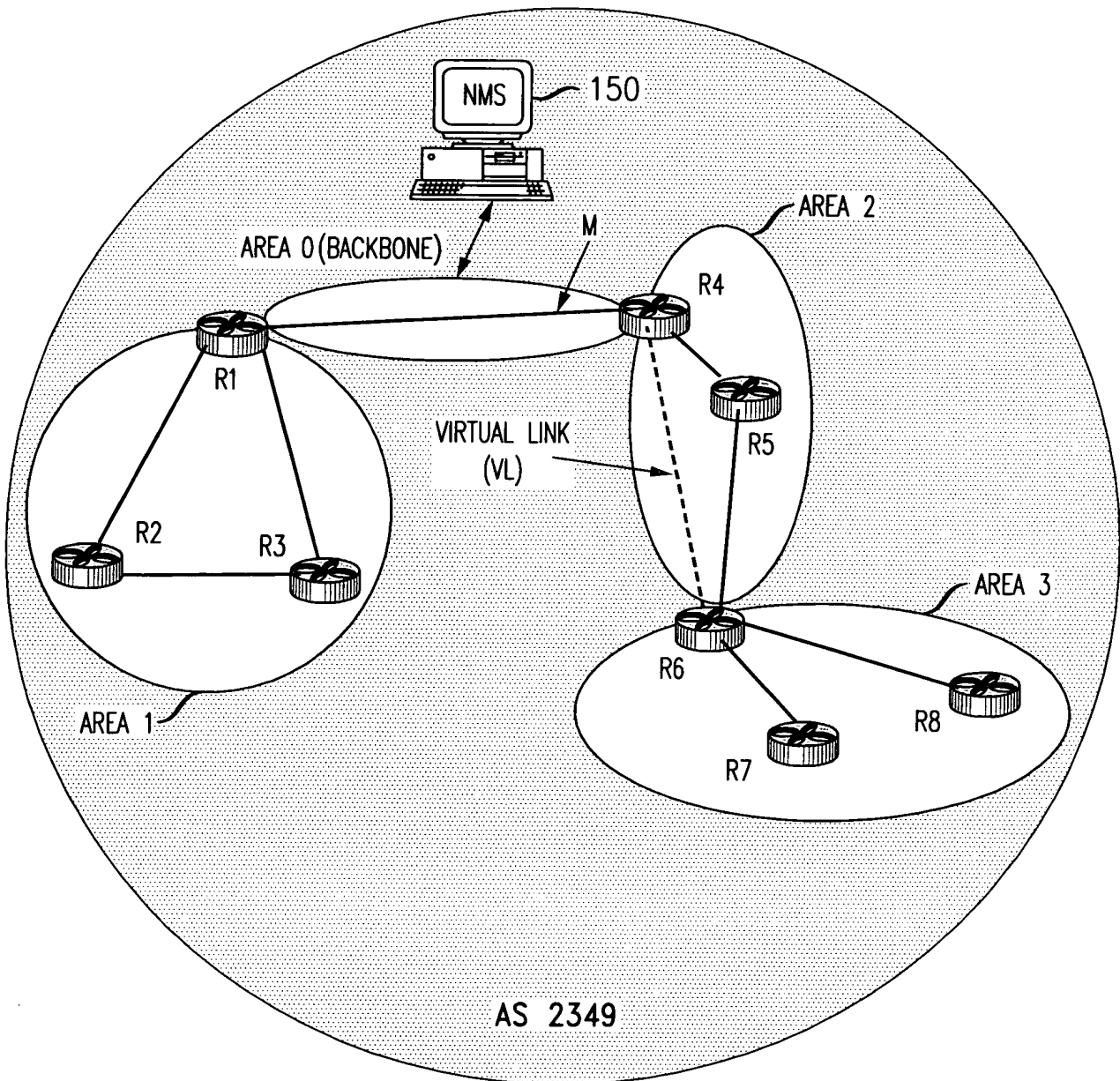


FIG. 1
HIERARCHICAL ROUTING IN OSPF



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graph TD
    201([START]) --> 203{WILL NEW ROUTER R BE ABR ?}
    203 -- YES --> 205([STOP])
    203 -- NO --> 207{WILL ROUTER R HAVE AN OSPF INTERFACE PHYSICALLY CONNECTED TO OSPF BACKBONE ?}
    207 -- YES --> 209([STOP])
    207 -- NO --> 211[n=1]
    211 --> 213{DOES AREA A_n OF OSPF INTERFACE I_n HAVE A BACKBONE CONNECTIVITY ?}
    213 -- YES --> 215{n > n_max ?}
    213 -- NO --> 221{IS IT POSSIBLE TO CONFIGURE VL ON NEW ROUTER R ?}
    215 -- YES --> 217([STOP])
    215 -- NO --> 221
    221 -- YES --> 223[CONFIGURE VL ON NEW ROUTER R]
    221 -- NO --> 227{IS IT POSSIBLE TO CONFIGURE VL ON OSPF NEIGHBOR ROUTER OF INTERFACE I_n ?}
    223 --> 225([STOP])
    227 -- YES --> 231[CONFIGURE VL ON NEIGHBOR]
    227 -- NO --> 229[MESSAGE: AREA A_n DOES NOT HAVE MINIMAL CONFIGURATION]
    231 --> 215
    229 --> 215

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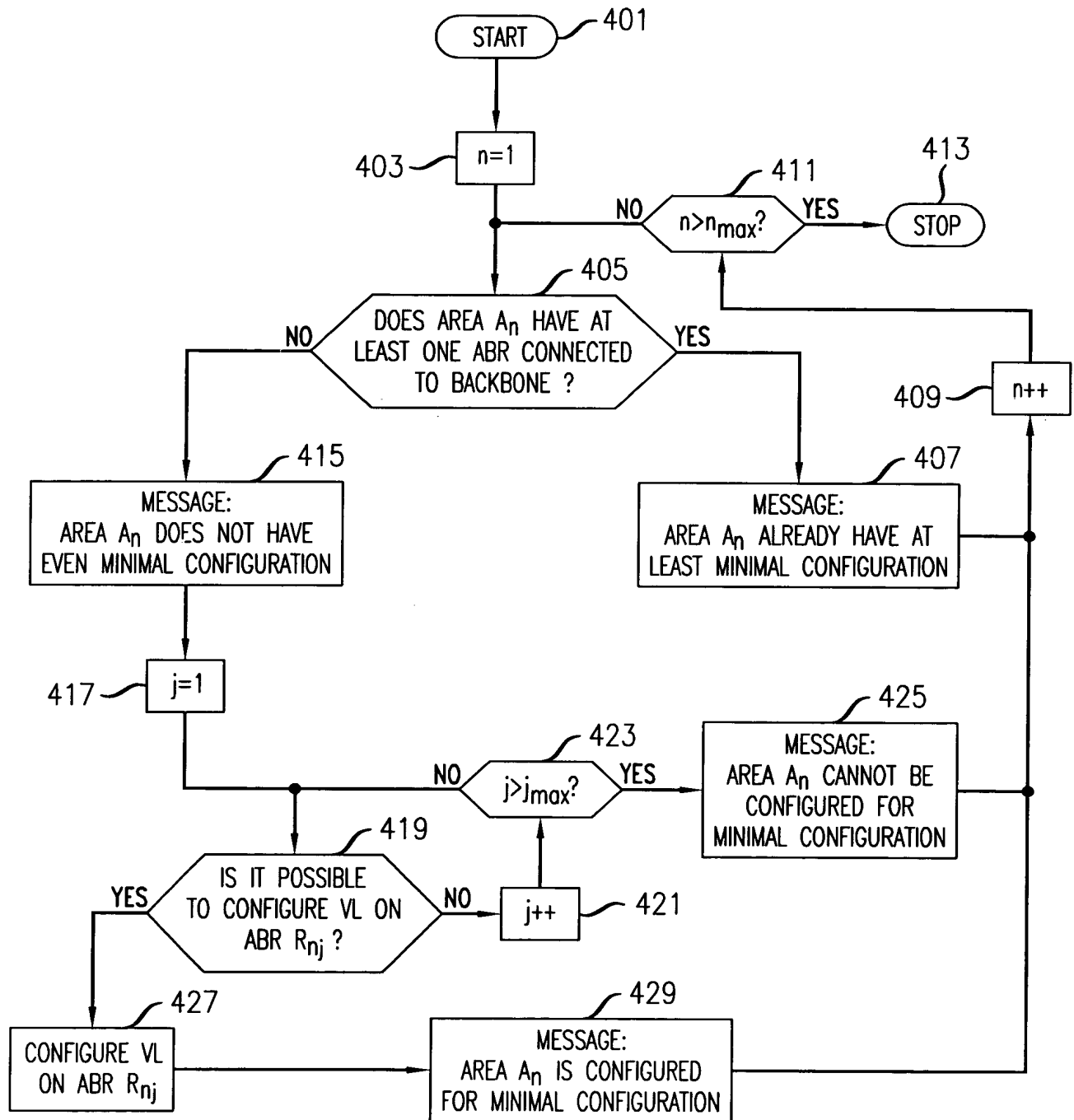
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graph TD
    301([START]) --> 303{WILL NEW ROUTER R BE ABR ?}
    303 -- YES --> 305{WILL ROUTER R HAVE AN OSPF INTERFACE  
PHYSICALLY CONNECTED TO OSPF BACKBONE ?}
    303 -- NO --> 307{IS IT POSSIBLE TO CONFIGURE VL ON NEW  
ROUTER R THROUGH ANY AREA A_n (n=1...n_max) ?}
    305 -- YES --> 307
    305 -- NO --> 309[CONFIGURE VL ON NEW ROUTER  
R THROUGH AREA A_n]
    307 -- YES --> 309
    307 -- NO --> 333([STOP])
    309 --> 311[n=0]
    311 --> 313{IS OSPF NEIGHBOR  
ROUTER r OF INTERFACE  
I_n IN AREA A_n ABR ?}
    313 -- YES --> 315{IS NEIGHBOR  
ROUTER r CONNECTED  
TO OSPF BACKBONE ?}
    313 -- NO --> 321{DOES AREA A_n  
HAVE BACKBONE  
CONNECTION ?}
    315 -- YES --> 317{IS IT POSSIBLE TO  
CONFIGURE VL ON  
NEIGHBOR ROUTER ?}
    315 -- NO --> 321
    317 -- YES --> 319[CONFIGURE VL  
ON NEIGHBOR]
    317 -- NO --> 325{ARE ALL ABRs IN  
AREA A_n CONNECTED  
TO BACKBONE ?}
    319 --> 325
    321 -- YES --> 323{DOES AREA A_n  
HAVE BACKBONE  
CONNECTION ?}
    321 -- NO --> 327[CONVEY ERROR: NOT EVEN  
MINIMAL CONFIGURATION  
FOR AREA A_n IS POSSIBLE]
    323 -- YES --> 325
    323 -- NO --> 329[n++]
    325 -- YES --> 329
    325 -- NO --> 327
    327 --> 329
    329 --> 331{n > n_max ?}
    331 -- YES --> 333
    331 -- NO --> 313

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FIG. 4

RECONFIGURATION OF VIRTUAL LINKS: MINIMAL CONFIGURATION.



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FIG. 5

RECONFIGURATION OF VIRTUAL LINKS: COMPLETE CONFIGURATION.

